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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (amended) Sealing arrangement (10, 10') comprising two separate armature members (11, 12) and a sealing ring (13, 13') interposed therebetween and a clamping device (30) for clamping the armature members (11, 12) against each other causing the intermediate sealing ring (13, 13') to be loaded with a sealing force, said sealing ring (13, 13') being made of metal or similar material and having a substantially

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